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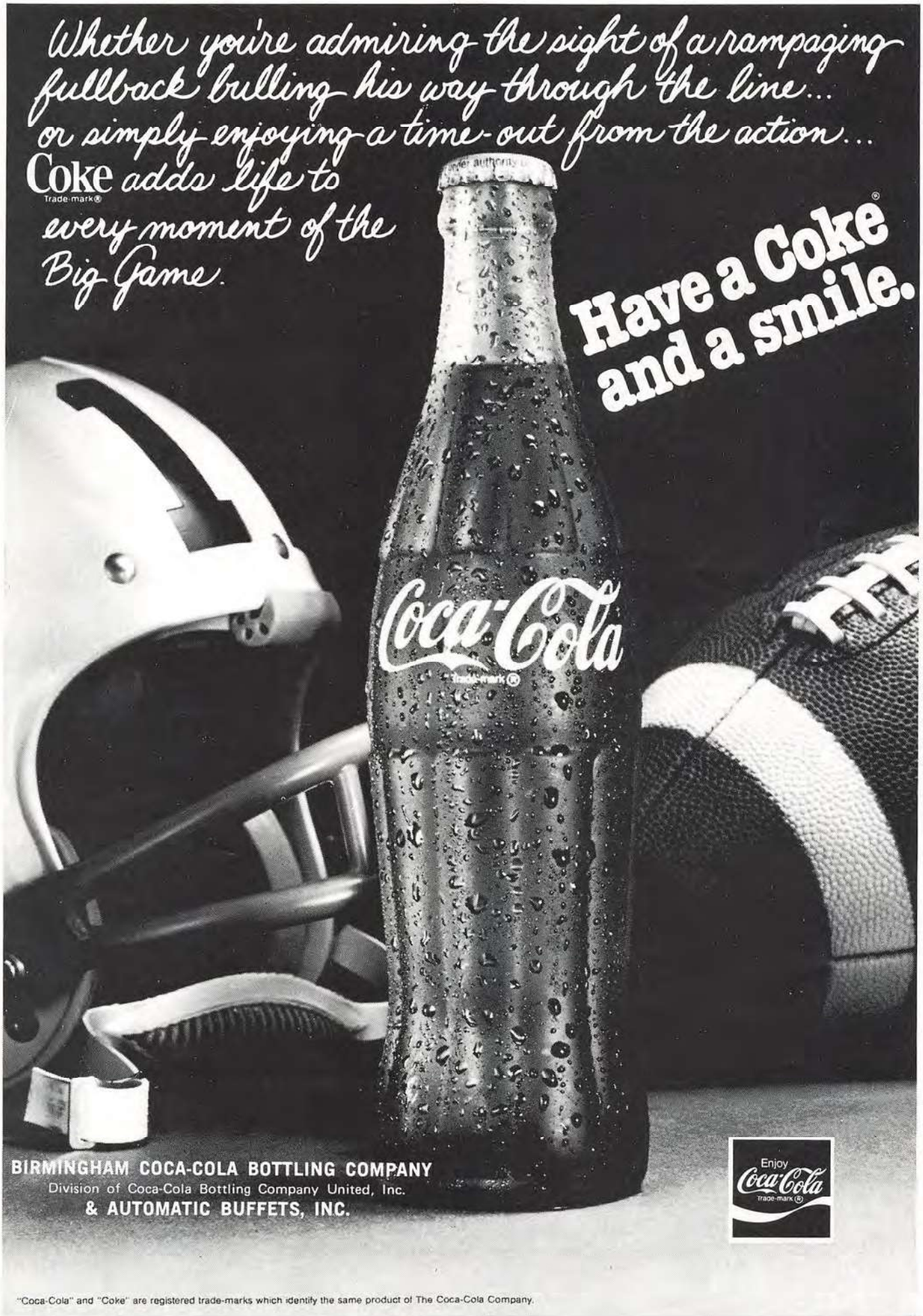
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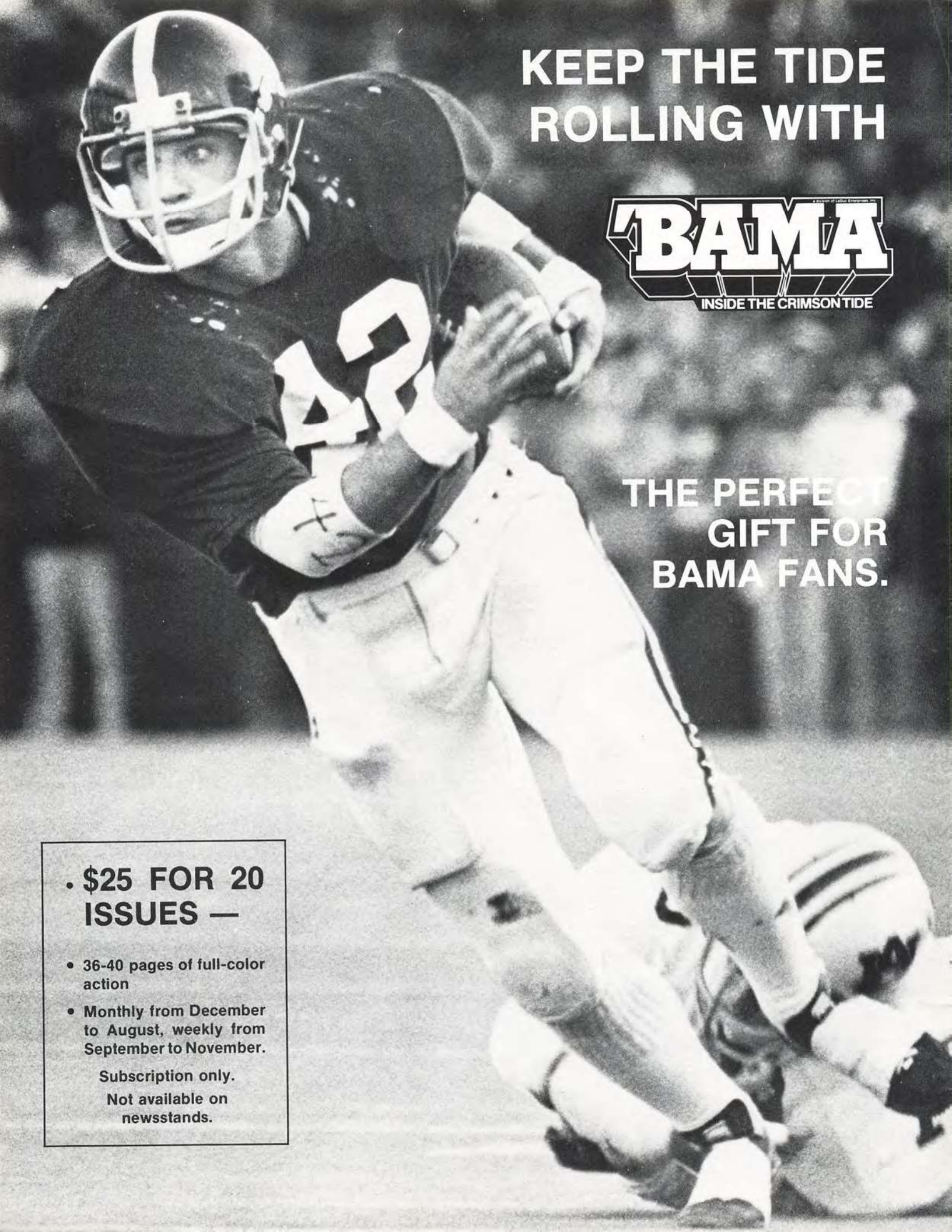
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The Making Of A Champion: Comeback Against Tennessee

by Kirk McNair

For 17 minutes the Tennessee Vols were in a point-a-minute offense. But a football game is 60 minutes long, and when Saturday's Alabama-Tennessee game had come to an end at 4:06 p.m. Saturday the upset in the making had turned into Bama's sixth win of the season and 15th in a row and Tennessee was just another in a long list of Crimson Tide foes who over the years have lamented "We should have won the game."

Alabama didn't panic. You don't get to be king of college football without being able to survive an occasional revolutionary attempt. Bama's defense shut down Tennessee, took advantage of a couple of Volunteers' errors, and rolled to a 27-17 victory, the kind of win that championship seasons are ofttimes made of.

No one in the Alabama camp was claiming "We had them all the way." But worry on the Bama sidelines did not approach that of, say, Sugar Bowl scouts in the press box at Legion Field in Birmingham. Or your's. Or mine. "Sure, we were worried," admitted Tide backup quarterback Don Jacobs, who was instrumental in Bama's comeback. "I was thinking 'Maybe these guys are for real.' But coach Bryant came into the dressing room at halftime and said 'I think you can do it.' Then, just before we left to come back out he said "I *know* you can do it.' I don't know how well I did, but I think it was the team's best game. We had a complete effort and I think this game really helped us as a team."

It's no mystery how a team as Alabama which had been so awesome in running over its first five opponents could find itself so deep in trouble against Tennessee. The Tide was digging its own grave with four lost fumbles in the first half. One of those fumbles led to the Vols' first touchdown, a 14-yard minidrive capped by an 11-yard pass. Another of the bobbles prevented the Tide from getting points just before the half and closing the gap as Bama gave up the football after having a first down at Tennessee's 16. But more than anything else, Tennessee was out-hitting Alabama.

Tennessee had a good plan for Bama. With Keith Pugh out of the lineup the Vols more or less abandoned pass defense and committed virtually the entire defense against the Tide running game. Former Alabama assistant coach Dude Hennessey visited with Tide offensive coordinator Mal Moore Sunday. "It looked like this, Mal," said Dude, going to the blackboard. He drew up eleven small O's in a wishbone offense, then 12 large X's, six on the line and six right behind it, to represent Tennessee's defense. "I looked out there once and I thought they had the bench on defense," added Bama secondary coach Bill Oliver.

The scheme was similar to that which Notre Dame used against Alabama in the Orange Bowl following the 1974 season.

"There are several problems with that," said coach Moore. "First of all, they used three different schemes early, all of them new. Their secondary play was completely different from what it has been. I don't know if they were trying to disguise what they were going to do or if they were just trying to see which one would hold up. The second thing is that we didn't have the ball much in the early going to make the determination of what they were in, and therefore which adjustments to make.

Left, quarterback Steadman Shealy admittedly had an off day and in the early going Bama had a hard time getting untracked against the quick-starting Tennessee Vols. Left, even though the Tide trailed 7-17 at the half, pretty Crimsonette Angie Boothe had a smile to brighten things up for Alabama fans.

—Photo by Spectrum-Southeast

And finally, we really haven't worked on that scheme much because people know now that we have a plan for that.

"Once we started holding on to the football our adjustments held up."

Coach Moore said "now that it's happened (being so far behind) and since we were able to come back and win, it should help us in the long run in the areas of confidence and experience."

That was the general feeling among Tide players reflecting on the game. "I think it was good for us now that it's over," said Tide defensive end Wayne Hamilton. "Our offensive team has quite a few seniors on it, but our defense is awfully young and I think a lot of those young ones learned that you can't ever quit. They didn't quit and it turned around for us."

An Alabama tradition following a victory over Tennessee is the passing out of cigars in the Tide dressing room. Many of the Bama players passed on the treat Saturday. "I'm too tired to get the thing to my mouth," said Alabama defensive end E. J. Junior. "We've got a lot of guys on the team who don't like them," smiled Jacobs, who sported a five-pack in his pocket. He deserved them. "I like them," said Major Ogilvie, borrowing a match. "I smoke one every year about this time. I hope I can have one more before I'm gone."

Alabama ran only 15 plays in the first quarter and none of them involved Ogilvie. He finally got his hands on the football early in the second quarter, going 26 yards on his first attempt. He had two more carries for first downs, runs of 11 and five yards, but it was just another Bama drive that would end in a lost fumble. Nevertheless, Major had a fine day with 13 carries for 109 yards and two touchdowns.

One reason that he did not handle the football until the second quarter was his not being used as a kick return man. Freshman Ken Coley replaced Ogilvie on both kickoff and punt returns. However, on his last return Coley was hit and suffered a knee injury that required Sunday morning surgery. Initial report was that the injury was serious, but not as bad as first expected. Previously this year Bama defensive back David Reeves and walkon

Top, Alabama stayed with its knitting offensively, which is keeping the football on the ground and for long periods, and overcame Tennessee's lead with two third quarter touchdowns. Major Ogilvie leads the way for Billy Jackson. Below, the Bama defense limited the Vols to only three yards rushing and four first downs and no points in the second half. Warren Lyles and Tommy Wilcox get to Tennessee quarterback Jimmy Streater.

—Photo by Spectrum-Southeast

running back Mike Kennedy had under gone knee surgery.

Alabama suffered several other injuries in the game, none expected to be as serious as Coley's. Mike Brock reinjured his hip late in the contest. He reported Sunday that it did not seem to be as bad as he had first expected. Gary DeNiro went out early in the game with a leg injury, as did Mark Nix.

Billy Jackson started the game at left halfback and had a good game blocking. However, Billy appeared to be running a step slower than ususal, which could be an indication that the hamstring pull that kept him out of a few previous games is not completely healed.

Safety Jim Bob Harris suffered a hand injury early in the game and that could be the reason that he had three passes broken up rather than three interceptions. Three times he appeared to be in perfect position to nab one of Jimmy Streater's tosses only to have the ball end up as an incompletion. Once Jim Bob wasn't in such good position. With under a minute to play in the first half Streater found speedy split end Anthony Hancock behind the Bama secondary, but the pass was slightly overthrown and so the Tide went to intermission down only 17-7.

Last year Tennessee was the first team that Alabama played that the Tide did not fall behind against. This year the Vols became the first team to have a lead against Bama. After having given up only nine points all year, the Tide gave up 14 to the Tennesseans in the first quarter Saturday. The first quarter also marked the first and only period this season in which Alabama has not scored.

While Tennessee is probably playing the "what if" replay more than Alabama this week (after all, the winner doesn't have to go over all the whats-might-have-been), both teams were, as coach Bryant said, lucky and unlucky. In any big game — and there has never been an Alabama-Tennessee game that wasn't big — there are a handful of plays that are the key to which team wins.

Saturday's game seemed to have a few more than the normal complement.

Tide starting quarterback Steadman Shealy had bad luck on Bama's first two possessions. Alabama's first series with the football resulted in a nuisance fumble, Shealy being hit and giving up the ball at Midfield. The second series produced a serious fumble, Shealy's handoff missing the mark to Steve Whitman and Tennessee recovering at the Bama 14 to set up the first Vols' touchdown. "I just didn't execute," said Steadman. "They came up with a lot of different looks and a lot of people on the line and it took us time to adjust. I'm glad we won, but I'm displeased with my performance. I think we showed a lot of class and poise coming back. Not many teams could do that against a team the caliber of Tennessee."

Tennessee had one of those "what ifs" just before the field goal early in the second quarter when tight end Reggie Harper came close to making a fine reception inside the Tide 10. The Vols had to settle for three points, their last ones.

The next break went to Bama and the Tide capitalized quickly. Warren Lyles tipped a Streater pass and it was intercepted by Robbie Jones at Tennessee's 33. On the first play after a turnover the benefitting team will often try for the quick score. Bama did. Shealy hit a wide open Tim Travis just short of the goal and Tim struggled in. One watching the game or the films may have thought that

Bama backup quarterback Don Jacobs spent a lot of time on the ground and his testimony is that Tennessee "ain't no slouch in the hitting department." The junior from Scottsboro ignited the Tide to its ninth straight win over the Vols.
—Photo by Spectrum-Southeast

Tim didn't quite reach the end zone before having a knee hit the ground, but it was obvious he did because the official raised both arms.

Bama had a chance to really get back in the game just before halftime, but an end-around attempt, Jacobs pitching to split man Alan Gray, resulted in a fumble that was recovered by Tennessee.

Alabama needed to take the whip hand coming out in the second half, but didn't get a good start. On second down Shealy's pass was intercepted and returned to the Tide 32. Fortunately, the Vols were playing giveaway, too, and fumbled right back to Bama. Alabama didn't take quick advantage of that break, but the important thing was Tennessee couldn't add to its margin. The Vols' second possession of the third quarter resulted in another quick turnover, Ricky Tucker intercepting for Bama at Tennessee's 30. Ricky wasn't sure that he had caught the ball cleanly, that it might have been a trap. But it was justice that he was awarded the interception since he couldn't be given an Academy Award for acting. Seven plays later Ogilvie followed his 16-yard run to the one with a dive over for the touchdown.

Tennessee's offensive problems continued in the third quarter when Streater went the wrong way on a third down call and the Vols had to give up the football. Bama then had its first Alabama-looking performance of the day offensively, going 70 yards in 14 plays for the go-ahead touchdown.

There was a temptation on the part of national writers covering the game to report that Johnny Majors gave evidence of being on the threshold of challenging Alabama for supremacy of Southern football. However, the stronger indication is that there's still plenty of life in Alabama.

And one of the strongest signs of life is quarterback, where Don Jacobs indicated that the Tide has at least two winners in this crucial position.

One person who hasn't begun the obituary of Alabama football is Furman Bisher of the Atlanta *Journal*. His Sunday coverage of the Auburn-Georgia Tech game concluded with this notation: "Perhaps it tells one something about the state of football affairs at both schools that the loudest, most prolonged cheer of the afternoon arose from the crowd as one when an early score was announced from Birmingham where Tennessee was leading Alabama. They were souls sharing a common misery, as people living under the oppression of a war lord. Neither of the two schools has beaten Alabama since these players were in grade school, and that is a thought to take home and mull over." ★

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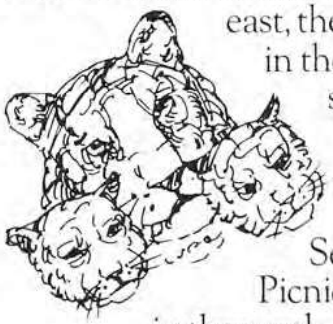

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Bama Jayvees Down Ole Miss

The defense was outstanding, but the offense had fumblitis. Fortunately, one of the fumbles turned into a touchdown and the Alabama junior varsity downed Ole Miss in the Tide's season-opener at Oxford 7-0 Friday.

Quarterback Micheal Landrum had started around end, then back up the middle when he was hit and fumbled in the third quarter. Running back Roosevelt Wilder scooped up the loose ball and completed the 56-yard scoring play. Johnny Brooker kicked the extra point.

Bama had nine fumbles, lost six. However, the Tide defense held Ole Miss, now 0-3, to just 21 yards rushing and eight first downs and turned in two pass interceptions and two fumble recoveries.

Jerrill Sprinkle had an interception that he returned 46 yards to the Ole Miss six just before halftime, but time expired as he hit the ground. Russ Wood led Bama defenders with 10 tackles while Sprinkle chipped in with eight.

Earl Collins led the Tide rushers with 92 yards, 82 in the second half. Wilder had 65 yards rushing.

The closest Ole Miss scoring plays were missed 48 and 52-yard field goal tries.

ALABAMA STATISTICS VS. TENNESSEE

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long
Ogilvie	13	109	0	109	2	26
Whitman	14	63	0	63	0	10
Jacobs	17	64	19	45	1	13
Jackson	8	40	0	40	0	16
Haney	4	23	0	23	0	7
Hill	4	20	0	20	0	7
Shealy	10	21	8	13	0	7
BAMA TOTALS	70	340	27	313	3	26
VOLS TOTALS	37	136	22	114	1	14

PASSING	Att-Comp-Int	Yards	TD	Long
Shealy	8- 4 - 1	56	1	33
Jacobs	2 - 1 - 0	27	0	27
BAMA TOTALS	10 - 5 - 1	83	1	33
VOLS TOTALS	23 - 7 - 2	106	1	23

RECEIVING	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Travis	1	33	1	33
Krout	1	27	0	27
Clark	2	20	0	12
Jackson	1	3	0	3

ALL RETURNS	Punts No.	Punts Yds.	Kickoffs No.	Kickoffs Yds.	Int'c'ns No.	Int'c'ns Yds.
Coley	5	30				
McNeal			2	28		
R. Jones					1	1
Tucker					1	0
BAMA TOTALS	5	30	2	28	2	1
VOLS TOTALS	3	24	4	35	1	28

PUNTING	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long
Umphrey	4	160	40.0	43
VOLS TOTALS	7	314	44.9	63

SCORE BY QUARTERS:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Final
Alabama	0	7	14	6	-- 27
Tennessee	14	3	0	0	-- 17

SCORING:

UT -- Ingram, 11 Streater pass (Duncan kick)
UT -- Streater, 3 rush (Duncan kick)
UT -- Duncan, 45 field goal
UA -- Travis, 33 Shealy pass (McElroy kick)
UA -- Ogilvie, 1 rush (McElroy kick)
UA -- Ogilvie, 6 rush (McElroy kick)
UA -- Jacobs, 13 rush (kick fail)

TEAM STATISTICS	BAMA	VOLS
First Downs	26	13
Rushing	23	6
Passing	3	6
Penalty	0	1
Total Offensive Plays	80	60
Total Net Yards	396	220
Average Gain Per Play	4.95	3.67
Fumbles-Lost	7-4	4-1
Penalties-Yards	5-31	5-60
Time Of Possession	37:11	22:49
Third Down Conversions	10-13	5-13

DEFENSE LEADERS	Solo	Assist	Total
Boyd	10	1	11
Wilcox	8	0	8
Scott	5	0	5
Junior	3	2	5
Hannah	1	3	4
Lyles	1	3	4

COACH BRYANT ON BAMA

"I've never been prouder of a football team than that one Saturday. I think they are champions. They showed a lot of class and poise.

"I voted for Nebraska as the number one team in the nation last week, but I'm voting for us this week.

"I think when we get our people back working together, just for a few days, we should have some sort of football team. I think we'll be the best team in the nation.

"I've been around some teams that had good comebacks, some more dramatic, but I've never seen anyone make that kind of comeback against Tennessee.

"I think Alabama is a champion now. If we can come back and beat them with all the people we had on the bench who couldn't play and the others who didn't dress, I think we can beat anybody.

"When we were down by seventeen points I couldn't believe it. Normally a team that gets down like that will try to score on one play and end up getting beaten two or three more touchdowns. I was determined we weren't going to try to get it all back at once.

"We didn't make any real changes. They were just lining up and beating our brains out for the first quarter or so. Our coaches knew what had to be done and the players knew what had to be done and they did it. We hung in there and fought and when we had to have it we got it. Perhaps the best thing we did was put good pressure on their quarterback, Jimmy Streater.

"We had our backs to the wall and it would have been awfully easy to start making excuses. I'm proud of our players, each and every one of them, for the way they came back.

"Now we've got to play Virginia Tech. I know that we've beaten them on the scoreboard every year, but they always beat us up physically and anyone who doesn't think it's going to be a tough football game hasn't seen them."

ALABAMA DEPTH CHART VS. TENNESSEE

The way Saturday's game went against Tennessee, the Tide wasn't able to use as much depth as customary. Bama used 52 total (including six redshirted freshmen and four true freshmen) with 23 seeing duty on offense, 18 on defense and 11 on the specialty teams. Some played more than one position but each man is listed only at his first spot with starters listed first:

OFFENSE

Split End: Tim Clark, Alan Gary, Keith Marks
Left Tackle: Buddy Aydelette, Eddie McCombs
Left Guard: Mike Brock, Scott Allison
Center: Dwight Stephenson
Right Guard: Vince Boothe, Gary Bramblett
Right Tackle: Jim Bunch
Tight End: Bart Krout, Tim Travis, Larry Brown
Quarterback: Steadman Shealy, Don Jacobs
Left Halfback: Billy Jackson, James Haney
Right Halfback: Major Ogilvie, Mark Nix, Jeff Fagan
Fullback: Steve Whitman, John Hill

DEFENSE

Left End: Gary DeNiro, Wayne Hamilton
Left Tackle: Byron Braggs
Middle Guard: Warren Lyles, Jackie Cline
Right Tackle: David Hannah, Curtis McGriff
Right End: E. J. Junior
Strongside Linebacker: Randy Scott
Weakside Linebacker: Thomas Boyd, Robbie Jones
Left Halfback: Don McNeal
Right Halfback: Mike Clements, Ricky Tucker
Strong Stafety: Tommy Wilcox, Bob Smith
Safety: Jim Bob Harris, Benny Perrin

SPECIALTY TEAMS

Punter: Woody Umphrey
Placekicker: Alan McElroy
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—ANDY SIDARIS, Director of ABC-TV "NCAA Game of the Week"

Any Alabama fan knows that it takes 11 good athletes, performing in unison, to have a successful team. The Crimson Tide has another team of 11 that works just about as hard as the football players and for the same goal—Bama success. And, not surprisingly, that 11-member team—the Alabama cheerleaders—represents a good background in sports.

Making the Alabama cheerleading team is nearly as competitive as starting for coach Bryant's football squad. Some 60 to 80 will try out each spring for the cheering team with only 11 spots open. And there are no returning starters. Everyone, regardless of experience, must go through the trials each spring. After a two-week clinic of learning cheers, pom pom routines, and stunts the candidates are subjected to an interview by students, administrators and representatives of the athletics department, an event that accounts for about 30 percent of the final score. The big competition, however, is a trial in front of out-of-state judges who have no affiliation with the University of Alabama. The candidates are judged on skill, personality, spirit and appearance.

This year's lineup:

Head cheerleader Frank Woodson, senior, Jackson, Alabama, majoring in marketing

Co-head cheerleader Suzanne Yandow, senior, Pensacola, Florida, majoring in microbiology

Jeff Barnard, senior, New Hope, Alabama, majoring in insurance and real estate

Paul Constantine, sophomore, Birmingham, Alabama, majoring in public relations

A longtime Alabama tradition that is getting plenty of use this season is the Alabama cheerleader line that bows on knee along the goalline after every Crimson Tide score.

—Photo by Spectrum-Southeast

Roby Gill, sophomore, Birmingham, Alabama, majoring in marketing

Gina Gulledge, sophomore, Birmingham, Alabama, majoring in fashion merchandising

Susan Ingram, sophomore, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, majoring in public relations

Laura Mauldin, junior, Birmingham, Alabama, majoring in public relations

Scooter Scott, senior, Pell City, Alabama, majoring in health, physical education and recreation

Janet Waddy, sophomore, Aliceville, Alabama, majoring in physical education

Harry Woodard, senior, Moulton, Alabama, majoring in mechanical engineering

The sponsor of the cheerleaders is Ms. Kathleen Randall, who is associate director of campus activities. She has been involved with the Alabama cheerleading corps since June, 1975, working with the athletics department in handling budget and travel arrangements and also coordinating cheerleading tryouts and assisting in uniform design.

Prior to her affiliation with the University, Ms. Randall was at Tuscaloosa High School. "I was cheerleader sponsor for the the B team, but I don't think that had any bearing on my getting this position," she remembers with a laugh.

Ms. Randall admits that being cheerleader sponsor at Alabama is a labor of love. "There are almost never any problems and this group is really above average," she says. The squad is so cooperative with one another and so hard-working.

"Some of the squads in the Southeastern Conference emphasize tumbling and gymnastics more than we do, but we feel the job of a cheerleader is less to be entertaining than to get the fans behind Alabama's team," explains Ms. Randall.

In national competition the Tide team will almost always place in the top five. "We are certainly regarded as having one of the nation's top teams, and we think that we must continue to be among the best considering the athletic teams that we are cheering for here at Alabama," Ms. Randall adds.

When thinking of cheerleaders there may be a tendency to think of the women as the "stars" of the show, the men just supporting characters. Not so, say the team members, although most are aware that the women "get more attention on their looks," as head cheerleader Frank Woodson says. Laura Mauldin notes that "Sometimes the girls get a little bit more attention from the cameras, but there are no stars and we do work as a team."

Almost all of the Alabama cheerleaders have a background in sports, some of them surprising backgrounds. There's at least one former football quarterback on the cheerleading team—Laura Mauldin, who was a player in the Powder Puff League. Susan Ingram was also a Powder Puff footballer in high school.

Jeff Barnard was an all-around high school prep star, playing football, basketball, baseball and running track. When he came to Alabama he was a walk-on football player for two years, seeing action with the junior varsity team. That led to Jeff's trying out for the cheerleading team. "After I left the team I wanted to remain close to Alabama football, so I tried out," explains Jeff.

There are also hazards of performing. Frank Woodson worried about re-injurying his knee in last spring's tryouts. In previous tryouts he had suffered an injury that required surgery.

Last summer the five women members of the Bama cheerleading team had an experience that each says was the most interesting and satisfying in their

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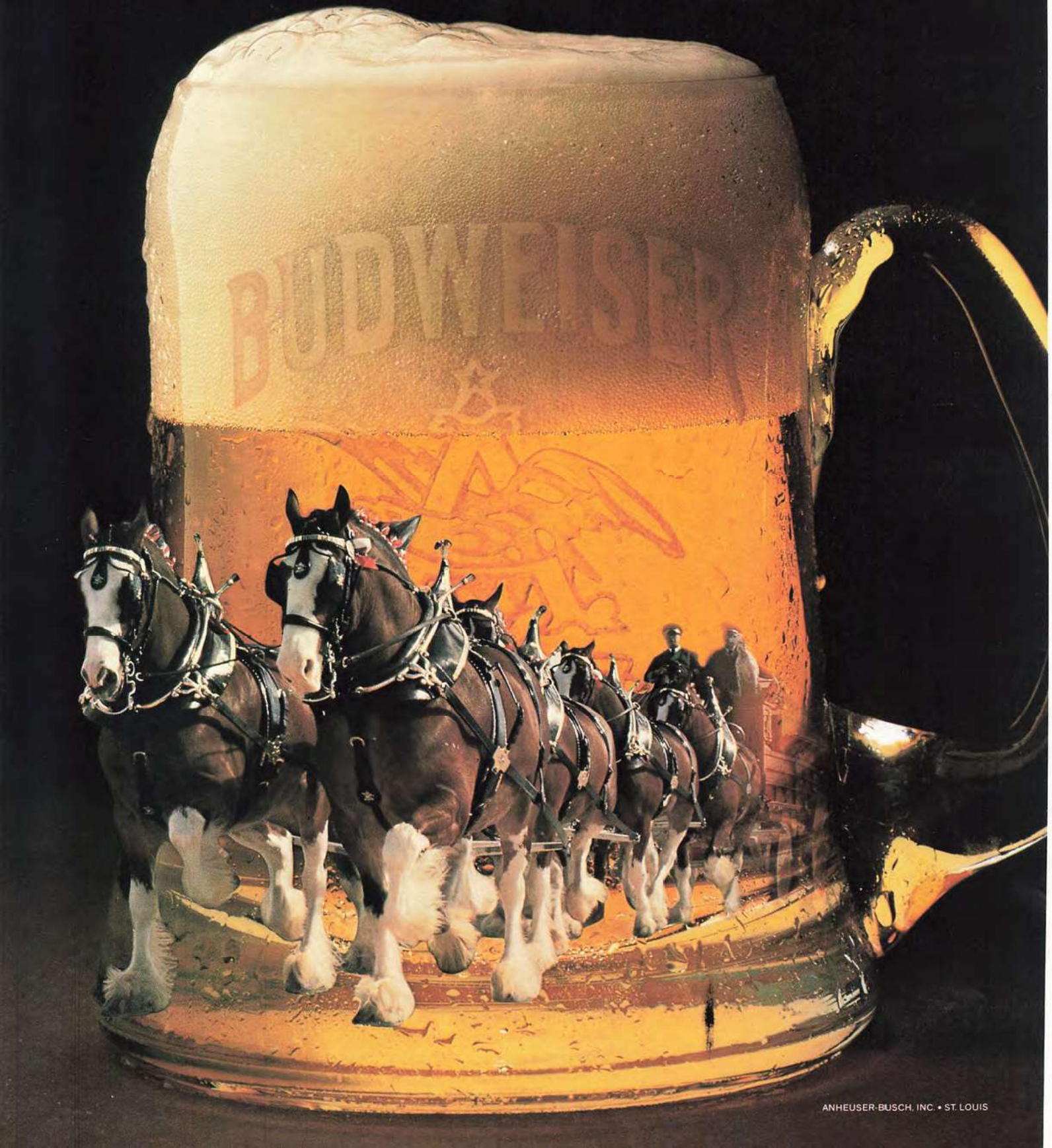

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cheerleading career. They accompanied the Crimson Tide basketball team on a two-week, seven-game tour of Japan as Alabama was the official guest team of the Japanese Basketball Federation. Bama played the Japanese National Team and won all seven games. Before the tour the cheerleaders, as well as team members, coaches, staff members and others making the trip, were enrolled in a University course on the language and culture of Japan. Suzanne Yandow remembers "the people were wonderful to us. And we were able to see up close a beautiful culture that is so different from ours."

Not surprisingly, all of the women cheerleaders at Alabama had been cheerleaders in high school. None of the men had been cheerleaders before coming to Alabama.

The Alabama cheerleaders all say that the travel and association with Alabama fans, as well as being part of the great athletics program of the Crimson Tide are the prime benefits of being an Alabama cheerleader. "And it keeps you active and in shape," adds Gina Gulledge.

The Alabama cheerleaders enjoy their part in Crimson Tide athletics success. And Bama fans obviously enjoy watching them perform, even more probably than the cameras of ABC — and BAMA Magazine. And Harry Woodard notes that cheerleaders' "actions in every aspect are watched because as a cheerleader you are a representative of the University."

A great deal of attention has been focused on the Alabama cheerleaders, particularly because of increased television coverage of Crimson Tide sports. But probably the finest recognition comes several times each football season when coach Bryant thanks the cheerleading squad for its support at games and pep rallies.

Alabama cheerleaders are indeed part of the winning Crimson Tide tradition.★

Although the women members of the Alabama cheerleading corps are probably more noticed—and more prominently displayed—the cheerleaders are a team, men and women working together in support of the Crimson Tide.

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Pulling Away

CRIMSON GALLERY →

Alabama fullback John Hill is pulling with everything he has as this Vanderbilt defender gets hold of Hill's jersey. It's only a matter of a split second before the Alabama tearaway jersey gives way and provides John with that extra step or two of yardage that can be so critical in big games.

The Crimson Tide went to tearaway jerseys several years ago and they have proved invaluable, particularly in the last eight years when Bama has been so successful as a running team.

One of the most memorable "tearaway games" has to be the 1971 Alabama-Auburn game, when both teams were undefeated. Bama's Johnny Musso was a doubtful starter before the game because of a toe injury, but ran out of nearly a dozen jerseys and for 167 yards as the Tide rang up a 31-7 victory.

Blocking for Hill, who has just taken the handoff from Alan Gray, is Gary Bramblett.

—Photo by Spectrum-Southeast

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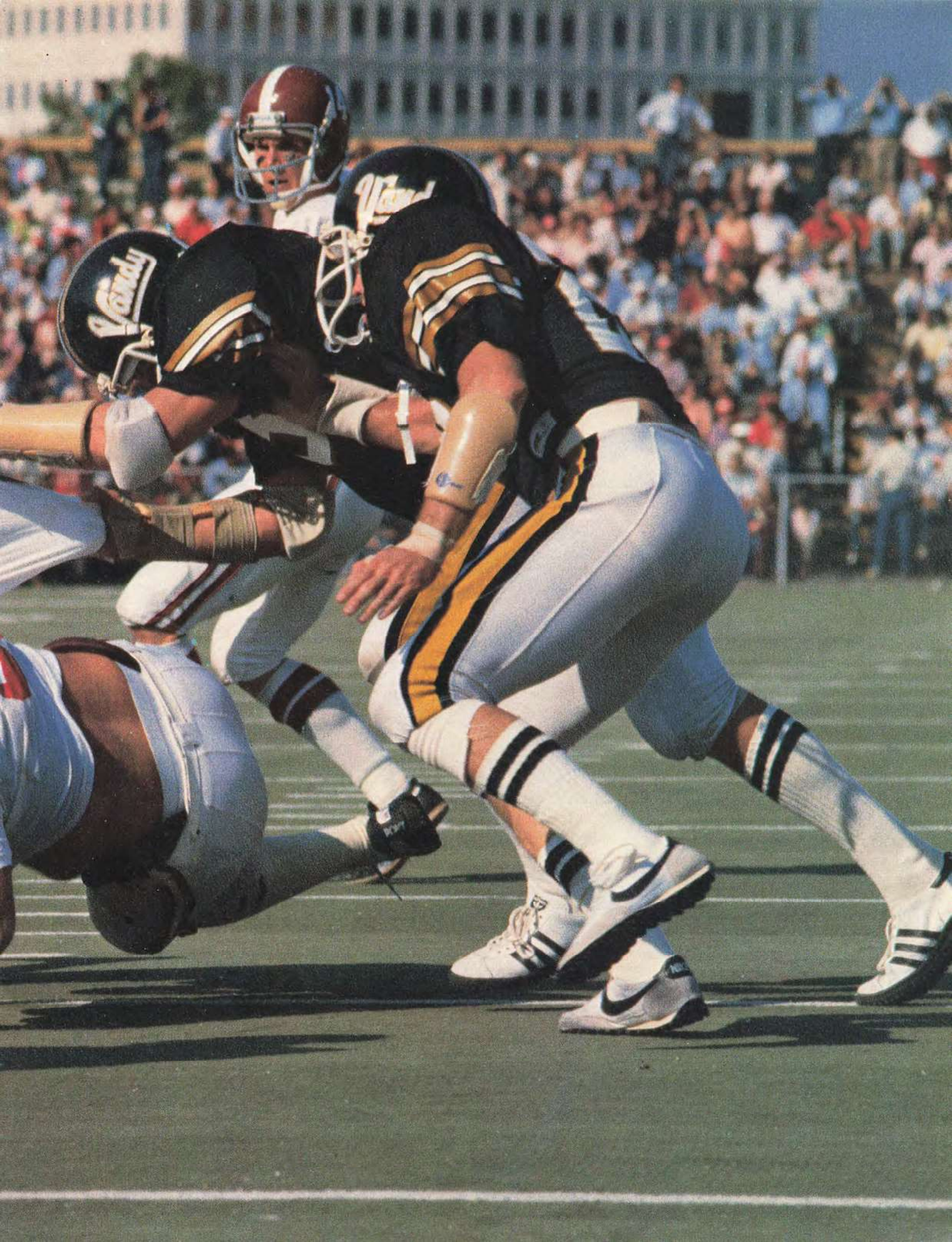


JIM BUNCH:

ON PACKING A LUNCH AND A FOOTBALL WALLOP

by Mike Bolton

Mechanicsville, Virginia isn't famous for its mechanics, native Jim Bunch says with pride. "We have the third biggest McDonald's in the world. That's our claim to fame," he says.

"Some people might not think that's impressive, but you should see the place. It's got this playground that looks like a state park."

It is not hard to see why witty Jim Bunch is one of the best-liked Crimson Tide players on this year's squad.

It's quite unusual for a tough situation like Bunch hails from to produce a gem as likeable Jim. Bunch has been beating the odds all of his life.

"Dad died when I was nine and that didn't leave too many people around the house who cared for athletics," Bunch recalls. "Mom did a heck of a job raising me, though. I'll guarantee you that.

"I have a granddaddy at home that has been disabled as long as I can remember, so Momma didn't get away much to see me play. She has worked hard since Daddy died and she got us through. It's been tough on her."

Bunch's father played a year of college football for North Carolina State, but quit after a year. "He never talked about it so we didn't ask him," Jim remembers. "I was so young when he died, I don't remember a whole lot we did talk about."

It may be hard to believe, but Bunch's football career until college was just as rocky as the rest of his life.

"I weighed 136 pounds in the third grade," Bunch recalls with a laugh. "God, I was fat. They had this 125-pound weight and I couldn't make it to save the world. I used to go watch them play and almost cry. I never put on a football uniform until I was in the eighth grade."

Bunch never played a down of football his first year out, but he could "hold the dummies with the best of them." Things did get a little better, though.

"Virginia Tech told me my senior year that if they should happen to have a scholarship left after recruiting that I might get it," Bunch said rolling his eyes. "That makes you feel good.

"North Carolina State offered me a scholarship and I jumped on it with both feet. I was begging."

There was one problem.

"Can you believe I had a 79 average in high school and couldn't get in that place?" Bunch said. "In Alabama, or just about anywhere, a 79 is almost a 'B'. In Virginia it is a 'D'. They wouldn't let me in.

"I'll never forget the high school all-star game. Our team won, but I walked off the field thinking I would never play in another football game as long as I lived."

Well, Bunch still had his second love left.

"Have you ever heard of Golden Skillet Fried Chicken?" he asked. "Well, I worked for them for five years and that stuff was good, I tell you. The manager liked me or he must have. I was up to 270 my senior year and I was under six feet. Everybody in the world knew why, too. It wasn't too hard to see why nobody wanted me."

Fork Union Military Academy is a prep school and isn't known for prestigious football, but they were soon to break off a beautiful relationship between Golden Skillet chicken and Jim Bunch. Or they almost did.

"Fork Union contacted me in July because they had heard I was thinking about going into the service," Bunch said. "They came up with this last minute scholarship somehow. I knew if I could get my grades up I could enroll at North Carolina State without sitting out a year. The thing was really like an extra year of high school"

It didn't take long for Bunch to come up with an incentive to improve his grades.

"They told me if I made an 'F,' I couldn't go home at all during the off-season," Bunch said. "A 'D' would let me get home once a month, a 'C' would let me get home twice a month, a 'B' would get me back home three times and an 'A' would get me home every weekend.

"They knew me. The counselor told me with an 'A' I could be working at Golden Skillet every weekend. I made my 'A.' "

Fork Union went 5-5 Bunch's only season there, but look at the military school's schedule. "We played some dang good JV teams," Bunch said. "We played people like Duke, Richmond, Penn State, and Maryland. I'll never forget us playing Duke. They were having a bad season and their coach was mad. It was a Monday game, so they dressed out about their whole varsity. They kicked our butts."

Any thoughts Bunch had about joining the service were quickly forgotten. He set his sights on getting out.

"All the sergeants and lieutenants were between 14 and 17 and there was this one little punk that made me clean up the toilets all the time.

"We had to be up by 5:45 every morning and be perfectly dressed with our shoes shined and our brass polished and all that. The beds had to have hospital corners and that junk. Think about getting up that early and having all those little guys coming in your room with white gloves wiping everything. I was almost 20 years old."

Things were looking up for Bunch after his year at Fork Union. Tennessee had said he was to short, but others were showing interest. North Carolina State was still hot on his heels. There was something unusual going on in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, however.

A tight budget didn't allow Fork Union the usual practice of splitting its films into offensive and defensive reels, so their game films were just one big reel. One of those reels was in Tuscaloosa where Alabama coach Ken Donahue was checking on a defensive back named John Fabris who eventually found his way to Ole Miss as a tailback.

"From what I understand, coach Donahue kept noticing me on the offensive parts of the film. He took a partial interest in me and showed the films to others."

Dorm rooms in Fork Union are not equipped with phones, so Bunch was forced to go outside to the pay phones one night to make the biggest call of his life. he was going to sign with North Carolina State.

"I had dialed the first three numbers when the messenger from the guard gate came up. He said a Ken Donahue from the University of Alabama had called. I was supposed to call him. If he had come by five minutes later, I wouldn't be wearing this," Bunch said, flashing his 1978 national championship ring.

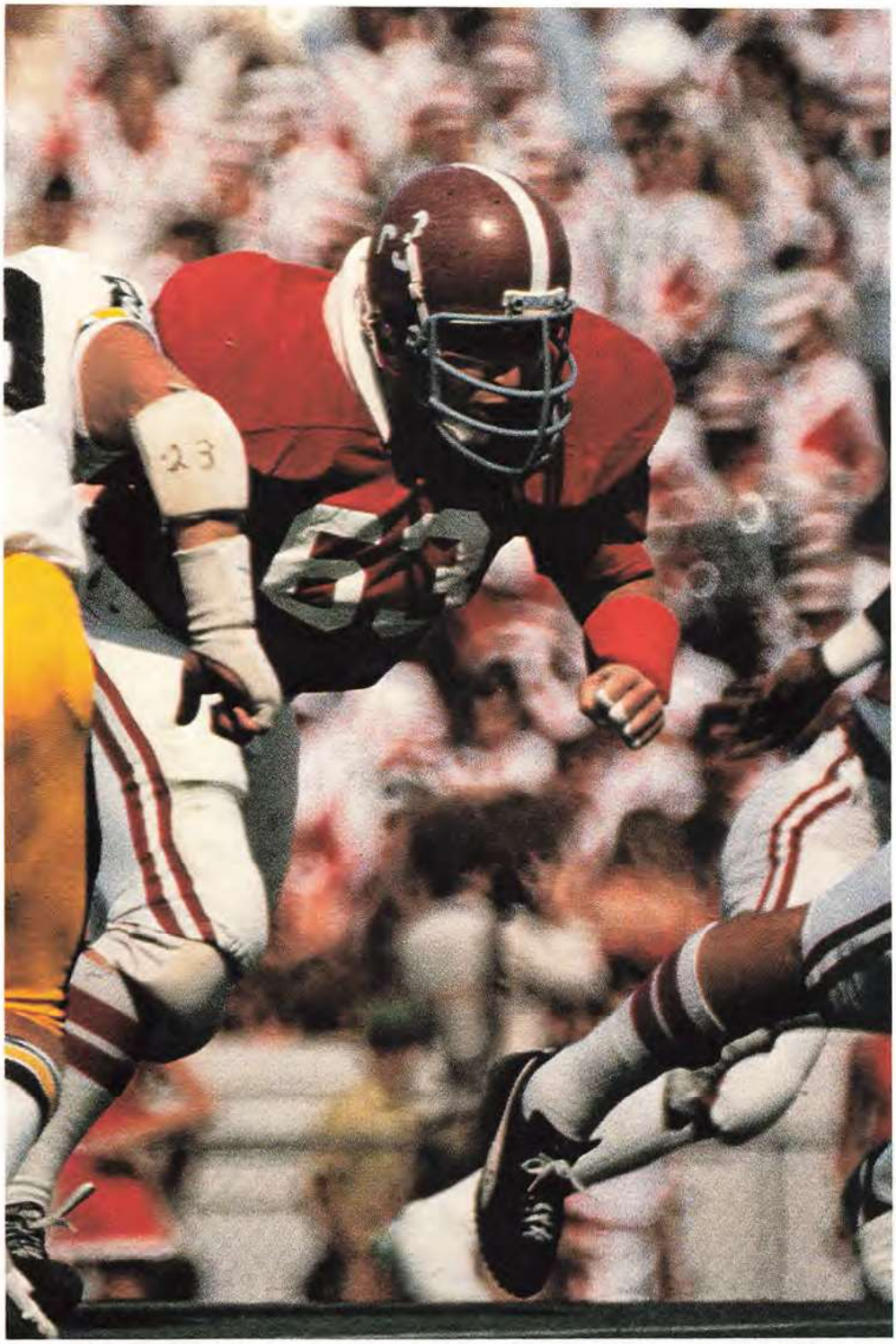
Bunch and coach Donahue talked, but he wasn't promised anything. "I told the other schools Alabama was sort of interested and I was going to wait awhile."

Bunch was about to learn a lesson in the cruel world of big-time football recruiting.

"The messenger from the gate snuck into my room about 2 a.m. one morning and it scared me to death when he said he had an important message," Bunch recalls. "He said that Bear Bryant had called and wanted to call him back immediately.

"I didn't know what to do at that time of the morning. I figured if he was calling that late it must be important though. I got the number and called back.

"I'll never forget hearing that voice when he came to the phone. I said 'Sir, this is Jim Bunch at Fork Union Military School and I'm returning your call.'



Alabama offensive left tackle Jim Bunch is quick off the line of scrimmage and hard-hitting when he finds his man. The Alabama offensive line ranks among the nation's best. —Photo by Spectrum-Southeast

"Coach Bryant paused a second and said 'I didn't call anyone.' I almost fainted. I just hung up the phone. I didn't know what to say. I guess somebody thought that would make me mad enough to not to go to Alabama."

Alabama did offer Bunch a scholarship and he went cold turkey with the chicken and reported at an impressive 230 pounds. He practiced at center a few weeks, but was moved to left offensive tackle behind Lou Green. He saw some action there before the most shocking day in his life.

"It was the Monday before the Tennessee game and Momma had called to say she was coming down for the game," Bunch said. "I went in to ask coach Bryant if I could buy a ticket. I got one and when I was leaving he said 'Oh yeah. You're starting at right tackle Saturday against Tennessee. I hope I'm not making a mistake.' You should have seen the look on his face when I said 'I hope you're not

making one either, sir.' I hope he figured out what I meant."

It was anything but a mistake by Coach Bryant. Bunch has started every game at the position since and has been rewarded for his play with numerous honors. He made the freshman All-America team, was All-SEC as a sophomore and was named the Columbus (Ga.) Touchdown Club's sophomore of the year, was picked as Football News' best sophomore lineman and has been named to other various honorable mentions.

"I just sort of leveled off last year," Bunch says with a chuckle. "It makes you look good when you're the only freshman and sophomore lineman playing in the country. But after everybody else starts playing as a junior it's really hard to get much notice."

Has Bunch's Alabama career been a tough one?

"They all said I adjusted better mentally than anybody else here, but Momma said something else when she had to pay a $1,000 bill for long distance calls my freshman year," Bunch said. "I was sort of homesick there for a while.

"I guess the other big thing was that nobody believed I played football because the way I look. There were girls flocking to the football players, but none of them believed I played. They all thought I looked like Fred Flintstone.

"It wasn't like that at Fork Union," Bunch said recalling the bad old days. "There weren't any girls there, hardly. We couldn't go but a two-mile radius from campus. We'd raise a little hell by walking to the boundaries and back chewing a little tobacco.

"There were a few girls around, but they were few and far between."

The pretty girls had it made, no doubt?

"The ugly girls had it made there."

Girl problems are no more for Bunch. He is happily married to a campus beauty who now carries the name of Leslie Bunch.

"We were married January 22 and it was the greatest thing that has ever happened to me," Bunch says. "She has helped me get my life organized. She has been a valuable asset to my football career."

Getting permission to marry Leslie wasn't the easiest thing to do.

"Her father, her mother and her brother all graduated from that other place in East Alabama," Bunch says grimacing. "Her dad is a career Army man and she is an Army brat that has been all over the world. She literally learned tp speak German before English. You should hear her talk sometimes . . . It's been fun all the way."

It takes something special for an offensive lineman to get recognition, but it happened in last year's Auburn game. Bunch came to practice one day to find a Birmingham *Post-Herald* article taped to his locker.

"The headlines said 'Warren tells Bunch to pack lunch'," Bunch rememberes. "Frank Warren had meant it as a joke, I know, but it got blown out of proportion and it had everybody going.

"He just meant it was going to be a long day for me since I was playing opposite him, but others took it serious. When the game was over a manager brought me a lunch over and I trotted over and gave it to him. He just laughed and walked off. I'm sure he'll have something like that for me this year." ★

Crimson Tide offensive tackle Jim Bunch plays where the going is thick and it's hard to tell what's happening, but Bama coaches get to enjoy what they see of Jim and his cohorts when films are reviewed following the games. And Tide backs know where credit is due when Bama is piling up the yardage.
—Photo by Spectrum-Southeast

FUTURE TIDE SCHEDULES

THE 1980 SEASON
Sept. 13—Georgia Tech, home
Sept. 20—Mississippi, away
Sept. 27—Vanderbilt, home
Oct. 4—Kentucky, home
Oct. 11—Rutgers, away
Oct. 18—Tennessee, away
Oct. 25—Southern Miss, home
Nov. 1—Mississippi State, away
Nov. 8—Louisiana State, home
Nov. 15—Notre Dame, home
Nov. 29—Auburn, Birmingham

THE 1981 SEASON
Sept. 12—Georgia Tech, home
Sept. 19—Kentucky, away
Sept. 26—Vanderbilt, away
Oct. 3—Mississippi, home
Oct. 10—Southern Miss, home
Oct. 17—Tennessee, home
Oct. 24—Rutgers, home
Oct. 31—Mississippi State, home
Nov. 7—Louisiana State, away
Nov. 14—Penn State, away
Nov. 28—Auburn, Birmingham

THE 1982 SEASON
Sept. 11—Georgia Tech, away
Sept. 18—Mississippi, away
Sept. 25—Vanderbilt, home
Oct. 2—Southern Miss, home
Oct. 9—Penn State, home
Oct. 16—Tennessee, away
Oct. 23—Cincinnati, home
Oct. 30—Mississippi State, away
Nov. 6—Louisiana State, home
Nov. 20—Rutgers, away
Nov. 27—Auburn, Birmingham

THE 1983 SEASON
Sept. 10—Georgia Tech, away
Sept. 17—Mississippi, home
Sept. 24—Vanderbilt, away
Oct. 1—Pending
Oct. 8—Penn State, away
Oct. 15—Tennessee, home
Oct. 22—Boston College, home
Oct. 29—Mississippi State, home
Nov. 5—Louisiana State, away
Nov. 12—Southern Miss, home
Nov. 26—Auburn, Birmingham

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VIRGINIA TECH GOBBLERS

by Kirk McNair

Virginia Tech opened the 1979 football season on the road seven games ago. The Gobblers are now making only their second road trip of the year. Winning that opener, against a tough Louisville team, gave Virginia Tech the impetus as young players began developing in the second year of rebuilding under coach Bill Dooley before friendly home crowds.

Tech has had a tough season, albeit an impressive one, in that among the opponents in addition to Louisville have been always-strong Clemson, highly-regarded Florida State, and surprising Wake Forest.

Virginia Tech has had pleasant news from its freshman class, although the performance of the freshman group could hardly be called surprising since coach Dooley said before the year "We had a good recruiting season, the type of season we must have every year in order to be competitive."

The Virginia Tech playing time charts are dotted with the names of first year Gobblers.

The strengths of Virginia Tech are the offensive and defensive lines and the offensive backfield, while the secondary has been a pleasant surprise. The punting game was in good hands last year and this year the placekicking has improved thanks to a freshman toe.

Here is a look at the Virginia Tech personnel who will move into Bryant-Denny

Kenny Lewis (20) was a 1,000-yard performer for Virginia Tech last year and the Gobblers' offense is built around this senior speedster.

Stadium for Saturday's 1:30 p.m. homecoming game:

DEFENSE

There was no question that the defensive middle in Tech's 5-2 defense was going to be strong and it hasn't been disappointing. Good depth at linebacker helped out the end situation and the secondary has been surprisingly strong—to Tech coaches and to opponents.

Right End: Tech solved the problem of no returning starters (or lettermen) at end by moving linebacker Nate Parker (6-3, 211-pound senior) from linebacker to end. He's backed by David Poe, an untested until this year sophomore.

Left End: Rob Purdham (6-2, 218 soph) had been expected to be in the thick of the battle for this job, despite a lack of experience, and he's won it over Rick Miley, a redshirted freshman.

Right Tackle: One of a pair of giant bookends at the tackles is 6-2, 240-pound senior Mike Faulkner, who started last year and is considered one of the best in the country—even though he may not be the best on Virginia Tech's team. He's backed by junior Mike Kovac.

Left Tackle: Another outstanding performer for the Gobblers is senior Doug McDougald, who makes his 6-6, 265-pound presence known with crunching regularity. His relief man is another big one, 6-7, 240-pound soph Steve Jacobsen.

Noseguard: The man in the middle rounds things out for the Tech defensive front. He's another senior, 6-3, 218-pound Danny Hill. Stocky Mike Borden (5-11, 220) is behind him.

Strongside Linebacker: Lewis Stuart, who called the defensive signals a year ago, returns at one linebacker post. Behind him is soph Andy Tommelleo.

Weakside Linebacker: Top holdover reserve man from last year, junior Chris Cosh, who starred in Tech's spring game, won this job, beating out soph Cass Camp.

Right Cornerback: Paul Davis was just one of a number of names thrown in a hat as possible starters in pre-season guesswork, but the tiny (5-9, 166-pounder) defender has made a name for himself, particularly when he picked off three interceptions against powerful Florida State. Behind him is Lawrence Young, a junior who saw a lot of action last year.

Left Cornerback: Jerome Pannell saw a great deal of secondary action last year and was expected to win this starting job. Behind him is a redshirted freshman, Jeremiah Thomas.

Strong Safety: Mike Scharnus, a sophomore, has plenty of size for the rover's job at 6-3, 192, but he's also very strong (bench pressing over 300 pounds) and fast. He played as a backup free safety last year. Soph Bill Britts gives up a lot of size when he comes in for Scharnus. Britts is 5-9, 174.

Virginia Tech defensive tackle Doug McDougald throws his weight around pretty well, and at 6-6 and 265 that's a lot to throw.

Safety: Matt Mead was another of the no-names going into fall drills, but has established himself in his senior season. He started the final game of 1978 and intercepted a pass. A redshirted freshman, John Scott, backs up Mead.

OFFENSE

The Hokies run out of an I-formation that features an explosive tailback, a powerful fullback and a sharp-throwing quarterback who has experienced receivers. While most of the offensive linemen were not starters last year, they were experienced.

Quarterback: It all starts with the man who takes the snap and the man who does that very well for Virginia Tech is Steve Casey. He won the starting job last year as a freshman and hit 61 of 118 passes for 678 yards, including nine of 15 for 84 yards against Alabama. He's small as quarterbacks go at 5-10, 189, but his backup man doesn't have any trouble seeing over the line. He's 6-3, 179-pound soph Jeff Bolton, who starred in the spring game. Casey is an adequate runner, Bolton not quite that good.

Tailback: This is the star position in Virginia Tech's offense and they have a star there, 6-0, 194-pound senior speedster Kenny Lewis, who rushed for 1,020 yards and scored 10 touchdowns last year. Lewis has always been an outside runner, but this year has proven effective inside as well. He's backed by highly-touted freshman Cyrus Lawrence.

Fullback: Mickey Fitzgerald is a 6-2, 232-pound bull of a senior who rushed for 545 yards last year, including a Virginia Tech best of 11 carries for 51 yards against Alabama. However, his main claim to fame is his blocking. Tony Blackmon, a redshirted freshman who was one of the most impressive performers in Tech's spring training, backs up Fitzgerald.

Wingback: Sidney Snell has finally lived up to his high school reputation—which was fantastic—in his junior season and is

leading the Gobblers in receiving this year. Senior Don LaRue backs him up.

Split End: Ron Zollicoffer, a junior, was Tech's second-leading receiver last year as a starter with 16 catches for 243 yards, including a leaping catch of a 50-yard pass to win a game on the last play of the game. He's backed by redshirted freshman Mike Giacolone and Tony McKee.

Tight End: Paul Watkins (6-5, 220) was a starter last year and had 11 catches for 113 yards. Senior John Drinkard is his relief man.

Right Tackle: Steve Wirt, a reserve guard last year, was shifted to tackle this season and won the first team job. He's a 6-2, 245-pound junior. Behind him is Bucky Methfessel, who was a backup center in 1978.

Left Tackle: Wayne Mutter (5-11, 248-pound soph) has to be considered a surprise to have won this job, even though he lettered last year as a freshman. That's because he lettered last year at defensive tackle. Wally Browne (6-4, 260), a highly-regarded freshman, is behind him.

Right Guard: Jeff Bailey, a parttime starter last year as a sophomore, won the starting assigment this year, beating out 6-4, 237-pound freshman standout George Evans.

Left Guard: Gary Smith was a starter as a freshman last year and it was no shock that this 6-1, 240-pounder kept his job. Phil Jamerson is behind him.

Center: Roe Waldron (6-3, 225-pound senior) won the starting job late last season and held on to it this year. Lars Anderson is behind him.

KICKING

Virginia Tech has one of the outstanding punters in the nation in Dave Smigelsky, a junior who averaged 41 yards per kick last year.

Placekicking was a sore spot for the Gobblers last year, but freshman Dennis Laury, a 5-7, 180-pounder came in and beat out returning starter Eric King for the job.

Paul Davis handles punt returns while he and Billy Hite are the deep men on kickoff returns.

THE SERIES

Alabama has never lost a game to Virginia Tech. Perhaps the most memorable game in the nine-game series was the 1973 contest at Tuscaloosa in which the Tide set three national records en route to a 77-6 romp. Bama has won all six games in Tuscaloosa, as well as two in Birmingham and one in Blacksburg. ★

YOU'RE THE COACH

Virginia Tech is now 4-3 on the year, but the Gobblers have played a difficult schedule. VPI has reasonably good balance in its offense, running about two plays to every pass. While Keny Lewis is the running bellcow, others have impressive numbers. Quarterback Steve Casey puts Bama against a top quarterback for the second consecutive week.

1979 Cumulative Statistics

	BAMA	VPI
TEAM OFFENSE		
Rushes attempted	425	379
Yards gained	2356	1940
Yards lost	116	176
Net yards gained	2240	1764
Avg. gain per rush	5.3	4.7
Touchdowns	29	13
Passes attempted	64	117
Passes completed	31	60
Passes intercepted	4	7
Percentage	.484	.513
Total yards	466	888
Touchdowns	2	6
Passes caught	31	60
Total yards	466	888
Avg. gain per catch	15.0	14.8
Touchdowns	2	6
TEAM DEFENSE		
Rushes attempted	207	327
Yards gained	771	1418
Yards lost	192	186
Net yards gained	579	1232
Touchdowns	1	6
Passes attempted	115	177
Passes completed	44	85
Passes intercepted	16	11
Percentage	.383	.480
Total yards	448	1290
Touchdowns	2	10
PUNTING		
Number	23	39
Yards	896	1631
Avg.	39.0	41.8
Longest	70	57
FUMBLES/LOST	22/10	18/11
PENALTIES/ YARDS	22/177	42/348

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE

Rushing	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Long
(BAMA) Ogilvie	59	345	5.8	8	26
(BAMA) Shealy	56	320	5.7	6	64
(BAMA) Jacobs	51	318	6.2	2	73
(BAMA) Whitman	58	284	4.9	3	16
(VPI) Lewis	105	583	5.6	3	32
(VPI) Lawrence	89	439	4.9	6	59
(VPI) Fitzgerald	67	343	5.1	2	24

Passing	PA	PC	PI	YDS	%	TD
(BAMA) Shealy	43	24	3	360	.558	2
(BAMA) Jacobs	16	6	1	93	.375	0
(VPI) Casey	103	54	7	780	.524	5

Receiving	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
(BAMA) Pugh	13	231	17.7	1
(BAMA) Clark	5	79	15.8	0
(BAMA) Travis	3	58	19.3	1
(VPI) Snell	21	370	17.6	2
(VPI) Zollicoffer	9	125	13.9	1

INDIVIDUAL DEFENSE

Tackles	Solo	Assisted	Total
(BAMA) Boyd	35	11	46
(BAMA) Wilcox	22	6	28
(BAMA) Scott	24	2	26
(BAMA) Braggs	20	4	24
(BAMA) Junior	18	6	24
(VPI) Cosh	48	17	65
(VPI) Hill	41	14	55
(VPI) Stuart	34	13	47
(VPI) Davis	38	7	45

Interceptions	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
(BAMA) McNeal	3	12	4.0	0
(BAMA) R. Jones	3	18	6.0	0
(BAMA) Wilcox	2	9	4.5	0
(BAMA) Bob Smith	2	0	0.0	0
(BAMA) Tucker	2	0	0.0	0
(BAMA) 5 others	5	72	14.4	1
(VPI) Pennell	4	39	9.8	0
(VPI) Davis	4	27	6.8	0
(VPI) Mead	2	34	17.0	0

Harold "Red" Drew: 1894-1979

by Kirk McNair

"I loved him like a daddy," said Alabama head coach Paul "Bear" Bryant Saturday upon learning of the death of former Tide head football coach Harold D. "Red" Drew.

Coach Drew, who had been in very poor health for several years, died early Saturday before the Alabama-Tennessee game and was buried Monday.

"Coach Drew was my personal coach when I was here trying to play," remembered coach Bryant. "He was one of the greatest people I ever knew. He was a real class person. He meant a lot to football and he meant a lot to Alabama."

Until several years ago coach Drew was a fixture at Alabama practice sessions. Declining health finally took him away from the practice field and his cheery daily greeting of "Hello, Bear," in that still clipped New England Yankee accent was missed.

He was head football coach at Alabama from 1947 through 1954 and was named Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year in 1952.

Born in Dwyer Brook, Maine, November 9, 1894, Drew lettered in football, basketball and track at Bates College, from which he was graduated in 1916. Entering Springfield (Mass.) College the following fall, Drew captained its 1917 football squad until called into the Navy in November of that year. Commissioned an ensign following training at M.I.T. and Pensacola Naval Training Station, Drew served in the Panama Canal Zone and returned to Springfield following the end of World War I. He played his final year of college ball in 1919 and received his Bachelor's Degree in physical education in 1920. He got his start in college coaching at Trinity College in Hartford,

Harold "Red" Drew, who served as Alabama head football coach from 1947 through 1954, died Saturday, after a long illness. He was end coach at Alabama under Frank Thomas until succeeding Thomas, who had to step down because of illness.
—University of Alabama photo

Red Drew was head coach at Alabama for some memorable Crimson Tide games, including the 55-0 win over Auburn that marked the resumption of that series in 1948 and the record-shattering 61-6 Orange Bowl victory over Syracuse following the 1952 season. —University of Alabama photo

Connecticutt and served as head football coach and athletic director at the Episcopal school from 1920 to 1923.

In 1924 he became head football coach and athletic director at Birmingham Southern College, where he served until 1927. During that time Birmingham Southern played three games against the University of Chattanooga, winning one, losing one and tying one. Head coach at Chattanooga then was Frank Thomas and in 1928 Thomas brought Drew to Chattanooga as his assistant. When Thomas returned to the University of Georgia as backfield coach in 1929 Drew took over as athletic director and head football coach at Chattanooga and led the Moccasins to a Southern Intercollegiate Athletics Association championship in his first season.

Thomas' first appointment after succeeding Wallace Wade at Alabama in 1931 was to make Drew his end coach, a position he filled for 11 years (in addition to serving as head track coach) before entering the Navy for his second hitch in the summer of 1942 for World War II. After three years service as a Lieutenant Commander, including eight months on Saipan as Director of Fleet Recreation, Drew returned to Alabama in time to help the Crimson Tide's undefeated 1945 team. He resigned in January, 1946, to succeed Harry Mehre as head coach at the University of Mississippi. In 1947 Thomas was forced to give up his active coaching duties because of failing health and Drew again succeeded Thomas, taking over the head coaching duties at Alabama.

During his eight years as Bama's head coach the Crimson Tide turned in a 54-28-7 record, with 1952's 10-2 record the best mark and his 1953 team winning the SEC championship.

He was head coach of several historic games. His 1948 team was the one during which football relations with Auburn were resumed as Bama rolled to a 55-0 win in the first meeting of the two schools in football since 1907. Among his three bowl games was the one which produced more records than any other game, his 1952 team rolling over Syracuse 61-6 in the Orange Bowl. His 1953 team met Rice in the Cotton Bowl and produced one of the most famous events in football history, Tommy Lewis coming off the bench to tackle Dickie Moegel.

As an assistant coach at Alabama he produced such stars as Don Hutson, Jimmy Walker and Holt Rast, in addition to Bryant.

Among his top players during his head coaching years at Alabama were Ed Salem, Harry Gilmer, Bobby Marlow, Cecil "Hootie" Ingram, John Wozniak, Ed Holdnak, Mike Mezerany, Pat O'Sullivan, Jerry Watford, Butch Avinger, Vaughn Mancha, Lowell Tew, Ralph Carrigan, Jess Richardson, Red Lutz, Travis Hunt, Ed Culpeper, Rebel Steiner, Charles Compton, Nick Germanos, Bill Cadenhead, Sid Youngleman, George Mason, Ray Richeson, Doug Lockridge, Jack Brown, Bobby Wilson and Bud Willis.

Long after his retirement Coach Drew continued to be a regular fixture at Crimson Tide events. He was an ardent golfer and outdoorsman before illness forced him to give up those activities.★

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Volleyball at Alabama has gained national attention with its 18th, 9th and 17th place finishes in the AIAW National Championship during the last three years. It was the first Southeastern team to win a match at the national tournament much less place in the top 25.

The Tide team won a precedent setting third straight Alabama State Championship last year and has been the AIAW Region 3 Division I Champion for two of the last three years.

But the other eight volleyball teams (Florida has no team) at Southeastern Conference member schools are not weak also rans. In fact, these teams represent three state champions and five state runners-up in 1978.

Kentucky was the AIAW Region 2 Champion last year with Mississippi and Alabama finishing two and three in Region 3 and LSU was fourth in Region 4.

Alabama and Mississippi tied for 17th place at the national championship and Kentucky was tied for 21st place.

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Championship Information

The nine teams have been divided into two pools and round robin pool competition begins at 9:30 a.m. on Friday and continues all day with the last matches beginning at 8 p.m.

At 9 a.m. on Saturday, the top three teams in each pool move into the quarterfinal single elimination matches. The semi-finals are at 11 a.m.—then we'll break for the Alabama-Virginia Tech game. The third place playoff match begins at 5 p.m. with the championship match at 7 p.m. on Saturday.

Alabama will play Georgia at 11 a.m. on Friday; Ole Miss at 3:30 p.m.; Vanderbilt at 5 p.m.; and Auburn at 8 p.m. The second pool has Louisiana State, Kentucky, Tennessee and Mississippi State playing for the top three spots in the elimination bracket.

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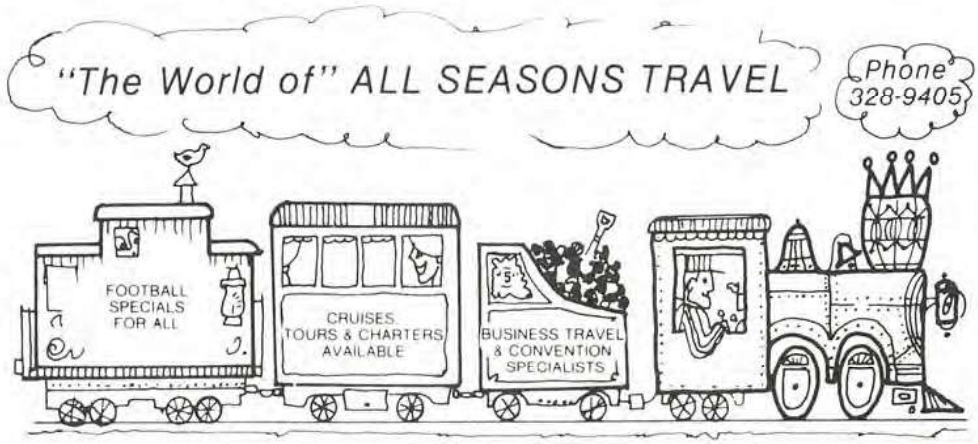
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DATE	ALABAMA	AUBURN	FLORIDA	GEORGIA	KENTUCKY
Sept. 8	30 at Georgia Tech 6				
Sept. 15		26 KANSAS STATE 18	10 at Houston 14	21 WAKE FOREST 22	14 MIAMI (OH.) 15
Sept. 22	45 BAYLOR (B)* 0	31 S. MISS 9	7 GEORGIA TECH 7	7 at Clemson 12	10 at Indiana 18
Sept. 29	66 at Vanderbilt 3	17 at Tennessee 35	10 at Miss. State 24	20 S. CAROLINA 27	14 MARYLAND 7
Oct. 6	38 WICHITA STATE (T) 0	44 N.C. STATE 31	3 at LSU 20	24 at Ole Miss 21	6 at W. Virginia 10
Oct. 13	40 at Florida 0	52 VANDERBILT 35	0 ALABAMA 40	21 LSU 14	14 OLE MISS 3
Oct. 20	27 TENNESSEE (B) 17	38 at Georgia Tech 14		31 at Vanderbilt 10	19 at LSU 23
Oct. 27	VIRGINIA TECH (T)	at Wake Forest	TULSA	KENTUCKY	at Georgia
Nov. 3	MISSISSIPPI ST. (T)	FLORIDA	at Auburn	VIRGINIA	BOWLING GREEN
Nov. 10	at LSU	MISSISSIPPI ST.	GEORGIA (J)**	at Florida (J)**	at Vanderbilt
Nov. 17	MIAMI (T)	at Georgia	KENTUCKY	AUBURN	at Florida
Nov. 24					TENNESSEE
Dec. 1	AUBURN (B)	ALABAMA (B)	at Miami	at Georgia Tech	

DATE	LSU	OLE MISS	MISS. STATE	TENNESSEE	VANDERBILT
Sept. 8			13 MEMPHIS ST. (J)# 14		
Sept. 15	44 at Colorado 0	38 at Memphis St. 34		28 at Boston College 16	13 at Indiana 44
Sept. 22	47 RICE 3	7 MISSOURI (J)¢ 33	14 at Maryland 35	51 UTAH 18	14 CITADEL 27
Sept. 29	12 SOUTHERN CAL 17	8 S. MISS. (J) 38	24 FLORIDA (J) 10	35 AUBURN 17	3 ALABAMA 66
Oct. 6	20 FLORIDA 3	21 GEORGIA (O) 24	28 TENNESSEE (M) 9	9 at Miss. St. (M) 9	14 at Tulane 42
Oct. 13	14 at Georgia 21	3 at Kentucky 14	6 at Florida St. 17	31 GEORGIA TECH 0	35 at Auburn 52
Oct. 20	23 KENTUCKY 19	14 at S. Carolina 21	48 MARSHALL (S) 0	17 at Alabama (B) 27	10 GEORGIA 31
Oct. 27	FLORIDA STATE	VANDERBILT (O)	S. MISS. (S)		at Ole Miss (O)
Nov. 3	at Ole Miss	LSU (J)	at Alabama (T)	RUTGERS	MEMPHIS ST.
Nov. 10	ALABAMA	at Tulane	at Auburn	NOTRE DAME	KENTUCKY
Nov. 17	MISSISSIPPI ST.	TENNESSEE (J)	at LSU	at Ole Miss (J)	at Air Force
Nov. 24	at Tulane	at Miss. St. (J)	OLE MISS (J)	at Kentucky	
Dec. 1				VANDERBILT	at Tennessee

1979 STANDINGS	Conference	Overall
Alabama	3-0-0	6-0-0
Georgia	3-0-0	3-3-0
Mississippi State	2-0-0	3-3-0
LSU	2-1-0	4-2-0
Auburn	1-1-0	5-1-0
Kentucky	1-1-0	2-4-0
Tennessee	1-2-0	4-2-0
Ole Miss	0-2-0	1-5-0
Florida	0-3-0	0-4-1
Vanderbilt	0-3-0	0-6-0

*Alabama home games are played at Birmingham or Tuscaloosa

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#Mississippi State home games are played at Jackson, Starkville or Memphis

THE RACE

Although it's so early and so many key games remain to be played in the Southeastern Conference, a trend is beginning to develop in the league race. Alabama disposed of contender Tennessee Saturday, while Georgia (which just missed for last year's co-championship) got by Vanderbilt.

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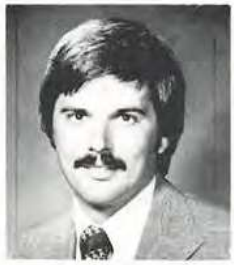

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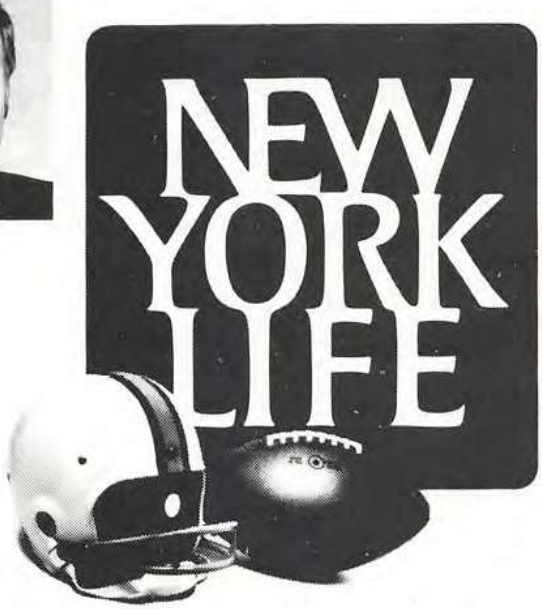

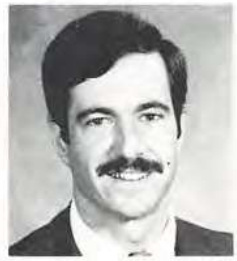

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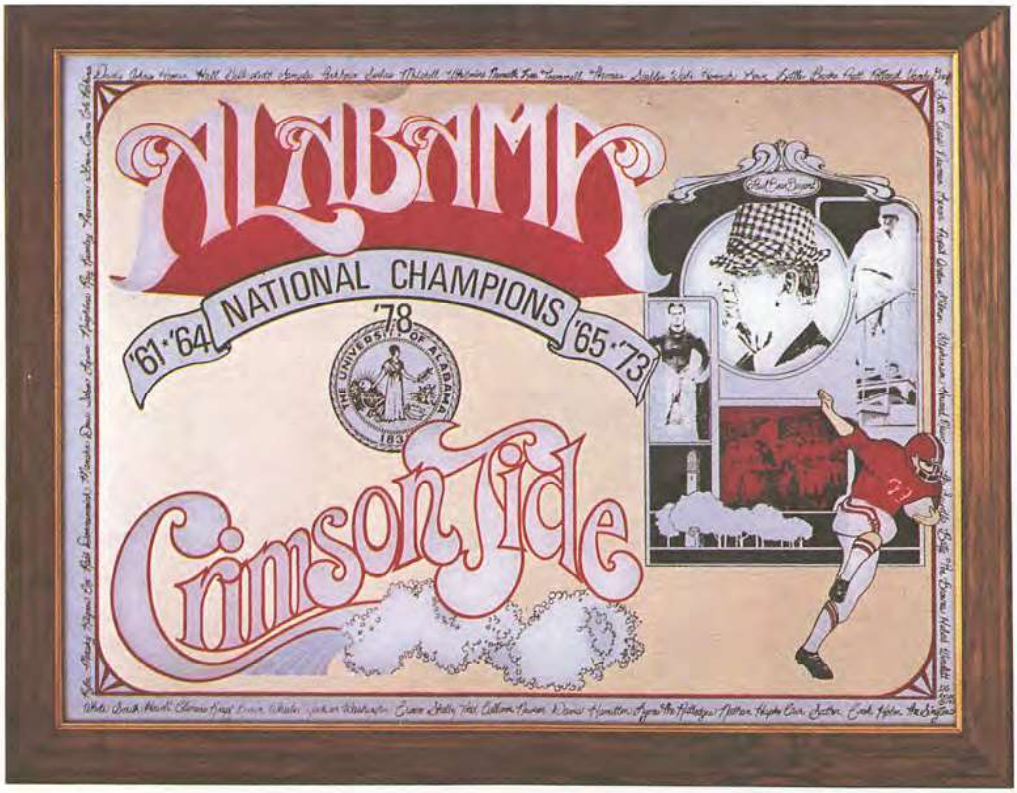

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